## <u>ANNOUNCEMENT</u>

## RELOADED: CPCS JURY SKILLS PROGRAM APRIL 20, 21, 24, 25, 26, 2006

Days will run approximately from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. each day, in the Boston CPCS office.

Hate the artificiality of trial skills training programs? Fake facts with fake clients? Have we got a program for you! **Bring one of your own cases**, a real case that you expect to be a trial. Attorneys with wealthy clients arrange a mock trial before they do it for real. Now you can have a similar opportunity.

## Here is how it works:

The program is based on the two week long Trial Practice Institute at the National Criminal Defense College in Macon. However, instead of using mock cases, participants will bring one of their own cases and try it during the week. Utilizing one of your own pending cases as the basis for the work that you will be doing during the week, participants will improve their skills in the following areas:

- 1. Designing a successful theory of defense
- 2. Voir Dire and Jury Selection
- 3. Opening Statement
- 4. Cross-Examination and Impeachment
- 5. Direct Examination
- 6. Use of Demonstrative Evidence
- 7. Making objections & integrating the law into your theory of defense
- 8. Closing Argument.

Acceptance into the program will be based on a number of factors, including an effort to obtain geographic and other diversity. To apply for this training opportunity, send your statement of interest to Cathleen Bennett, Training Director, CPCS Training Unit, 44 Bromfield Street, Boston, MA 02108 or e-mail to <a href="mailtokmunichiello@publiccounsel.net">kmunichiello@publiccounsel.net</a> State how long you have practiced criminal law; describe the number and types of jury trials you have undertaken, including the nature of the charges and whether the trials were in Superior or District Court; list the bar advocate programs to which you belong and whether you are a member of any other CPCS certification list (e.g., juvenile, mental health, CAFL); and provide any other information you consider pertinent. Applications must be received by March 22, 2006.

All of the sessions at Jury Skills are interactive, and require your attendance and participation for the entire 5 days of the program. Keep your calendars clear.

While the NLADA Defender Advocacy Program costs over \$800.00, and NCDC costs over \$1200.00, we ask that participants in our Jury Skills program make a \$100.00 contribution to the CPCS Training Trust.

Here's what attorneys said about last year's course:

"This was an outstanding program. The instructors were encouraging, gave specific and constructive feedback and put in a huge effort. I feel that I have a great chance of winning my client's case at trial. Thanks for all the help with this tough case."

"This course is the best I've taken and I try to take as many as my schedule will allow. It was cool to use a real case and get so much help from colleagues and experienced faculty."

"Too great for words."

"Met a lot of great new people, very friendly and supportive group and staff."

"Thank you all so very much for this wonderful opportunity. I am humbled by your skills and inspired by your genuine commitment"

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